THE INDEPENDENT

CATTLE TICK LOSES IN G. O. P. SHOULD ANOTHER BIG SKIRMISH RETAIN AYDLET

Angry Farmers Storm Commissioners and Threat- McGirt Condemns Aydlett's Use en Them With Political Extinction, But Commissioners Hold Firm

tank county farmers staged one of the biggest indignation meetings ever seen in this section One of Elizabeth City's Most Interest- Eastern District of North Carolast Monday morning at the county court house, as a protest against the tick eradication work now going on in this county. The meeting was held in the presence of the Board of County Commissioners, and a determined effort was made to get the commissioners to put an end to the dipping of cattle by cutting off the county appropriation for the work. Dire threats were made against members of the board, when it became evident that they did not propose to stop the dipping, and some of the more hotheaded among the opponents of tick eradication declared that no member of the board who favored the dipping would be re-elected.

The board of county commissioners, be it said to their credit, did not althe meeting was that the commissioners street and Pennsylvania Ave.

market over the squelching of the tick are in many cases the same men who were red-hot in favor of the work a year ago. They seem to forget that tick eradication would not have been put on in this county this year, had it not been that the farmers themselves went down into their pockets and gave contributions to help construct the very dipping vats which some of them are the other hand, it is exceedingly doubtful whether the 200 men fighting tick eradication at the courthouse last Monday, are really representative of the

worse than the average cow. in Pasquotank. They are telling their out further comment:neighbors that a country is no longer a free country when a board of commis-

ed the Republican, bait, and on every at the November election. ede they can be heard clamoring for In a recent editorial ebullition, the

9. Wesley Foreman. Mr. Foreman has who are still voting for Andy Jackson. often. In the course of a few years, for neighing nincompoops. Mr. Foreman will be in a position to exhibit prize-winning cattle at various Progressive cattle raisers in Pasquotank will be entirely cut off from exhibits

Two hundred or more Pasquo- AGED SKIPPER NEARING END OF LIFE'S VOYAGE

ing Characters Critically III



Horatio W. Heath, one of the oldest low themselves to be frightened from and most interesting characters in Eliztheir stand by the open threats of pol- abeth City, is lying at the point of itical 'extinction which were heard on death at his home on Pennsylvania Ave. every side. The only member of the He is 85 years old and has been in a board who took sides with the oppo- feeble condition for several years, the neuts of dipping was W. J. F. Spence, he has held on to life with wonderful commissioner from Newland township, vigor for one of his years, seldom loswho has the reputation of being some- ing a day from his little business of thing of a reactionary. The result of keeping store on the corner of Burgess

took no steps to stop the work of tick Mr. Heath is known far and wide for eradication, and the angry farmers pre- his simple piety and his petty scrupusent went away hotter in the collar than lousness in every business detail. He came to Elizabeth City probably a quarthe keeper of a lighthouse on the Currituck coast. In earlier days he was a sea captain and sailed the Atlantic from New England to the West India

> INDEPENDENT GETS ROASTED IN OHIO

now so anxious to do away with. On Editorial On Harding Brings A Yelp From One of Harding's Pack In His Home State

sentiment of the citizens in the farm- ver that is, there is published a paper used McGirt's letter under the caption, ing sections of Pasquotank county. As called "The Journal". A recent edi-An onlooker at Monday's meeting said, torial on Harding in this newspaper has some of the men present looked like given the Mansfield editor a bad case they needed dipping a blamed hight of grunts. He comes back at the editor of THE INDEPENDENT in an ed-Republican gum-shoe artists, particu- itorial entitled "Let The Asses Bray." larly in the lower part of the county, As THE INDEPENDENT doesn't care are now working day and night to make how much the asses bray, in Ohio or a campaign issue of tick eradication as elsewhere, the Mansfield Journal edia means of discrediting Democratic rule torial is printed in full herewith with-

LET THE ASSES BRAY

Down in the Dismal Swamp district sioners refuses to carry out the ex- of North Carolina there is at interpressed wish of the people, but instead vals of once each week a dismal wail crams down their throats something that sent up by a tar-heel editor, W. O. the people do not want. And, unfortu- Saunders, who publishes the Elizabeth nately, some of the farmers themselves City Independent, a copy of which we are foolish enough to fall for the Repub- have before us. He is one of those lican propaganda, which is put forth "dyed-in-the-tar" Democrats who wails m a sugar-coated form that is extreme- because the Republican party selected ly easy to swallow. Many formerly Senator Harding to "knock the tar" out good Democrats have already swallow- of the Democratic presidential aspirant

a "change." The tick issue threatens dismal Mr. Saunders confesses his into cost the Democrats a bunch of farm- ability to comprehend the significance of Mr. Harding's speech of acceptance. The only man present last Monday who And then, after admitting his weakness had the nerve to speak in advocacy of of perception, he delves off into a half the tick eradication work in the presence column of jejune jargon s ocharacterisof so many opponents of dipping was tic of some of those southern mossbacks

a herd of about 100 of the prettiest This same irreconcilable Editor Saunthoroughbred cattle to be found any- ders was a few years ago the editor of where in Northeastern North Carolina, of a pettifogging periodical called "The on his farm near this city. He has Down-Homer," which was barred from spent a lot of money on his cattle, the mails. This action on the part of which are the best that he could buy Uncle Sam seems only to have served in the country, and he is sparing no as a partial deterrent to the sagacious expense to give them the best care and Mr. Saunders, since his editorial rantattention. Mr. Foreman is doing this, ings have merely changed from scandaof course, with an eye to future profits, lous to ridiculous. The law leaves a and he is dipping his cattle just as reg- loophole for this tin-horn tar-beeler to ularly as he washes himself, if not as slip through. It affords no choke-strap

Seated in an automobile in front of fairs and stock exhibitions, and he will the county court house here Thursday Mkewise be ready to offer pure-bred morning, John Wesley Mays, of Hopestock for sale on the big cattle markets well, Va., was married to Miss Lola of the country. As long as Pasquo- Moore, of Hampton, Va., Justice tank county has cattle fever ticks, just of the peace Newton A. Jones of so long will the county be under State ficiated. J. C. Graves, of Louisville, Ky. and Federal quarantine, and for just so and Miss Mary Belle Ingram, of Opellong a time Mr. Foreman and other ika, Ala. were united in marriage at this city Wednesday.

and markets. Therefore Mr. Foreman crops. In other sections, the advent was on and when the nozzle came off Currituck county, was given a hearing and every other raiser of first-class of the boll weevil has resulted in a big he was deluged with a stream of the before United States commissioner T. cattle in this county is vitally interested increase in the amount of livstock raised fiery liquid which covered his face, neck B. Wilson here Saturday morning, and in the climination of the tick, and the for market. Indeed, some communities and arms. He was blind from the ef- was bound over to the next term of resulting lifting of the quarantine. Mr. that had long been under the bondage fects of the spray for several minutes. Federal court for trial. Banks was Foreman was often interrupted, and of King Cotton are now almost entirely Prompt relief saved him from what placed under \$500 bond, in default of could do nothing to change the senti- devoted to stock raising, and without might have resulted in permanent inment of the bunch at the courthouse, exception the farmers in such sections juries. Except for a parboiled appearing. Banks was sentenced to four Farmers in Pasquotank county must declare that they are realizing bigger ance Mr. Gregory seems to have remonths imprisonment at a recent term, Lot forget that the cotton boll weevil profits than ever before. Cattle raisalready in North Carolina, and is fast ing in Pasquotank can never become a And while he was suffering most fore the expiration of his sentence. The coming toward this corner of the State. big industry while the cattle fever tick from the effects of the chemical and hearing Saturday was the outcome of a The arrival of the destructive pest will is permitted to remain. Sooner or lanecessarily mean a reduction in the ter the tick must go, and nothing can nently lost, some one came up to him hibition agents, in the course of which acreage of cotton here, and the farmers be gained by postponing the work of and said in a sorrowful voice: "Mr. several gallons of liquor were found in will be compelled to find other money eradicating the pest.

of a Republican Cat's Paw

in the fall, Hon. E. F. Aydlett, U. S. District Attorney for the lina is entitled to retain his position for services rendered that party, is the opinion of W. A. McGirt, Manager of the North Carolina Landowners Association, whose offices are in Wil-

mington. Mr. McGirt's statement follows Mr. Aydlett's attempt to discredit Mr. Mc-Girt thru the columns of a Republican newspaper published here in Elizabeth City. It will be remembered that Mr. McGirt and the Landowners Association clashed with Mr Aydlett during the recent special session of the General Assembly when Mr. Aydlett was in Raleigh in behalf of Pasquotank ticks. McGirt is against ticks. In fact, the business of the N. C. Landowners Association is to fight bad roads, illiteracy, malaria, typhoid, hookworms and ticks. McGirt accused Aydlett of spite work and Mr. Aydlett wrote to McGirt under date of August 24, denying that he was inspired by spite. To this letter Mr. Work Begins on Dismal Swamp McGirt replied in part as follows .-

Mr. E. F. Aydlett, U. S. District Atty. Elizabeth City, N. C.

Your letter of the 24th, inst., was awaiting me here upon my return from Raleigh, and I am pleased to note your denial of any feeling of spite in the matter of having the law changed with regard to the tick eradication in Pasquotank County.

I accept your denial of "spite work," altho' reports to this office from Ra leigh indicate such.

I shall welcome the day when the constructive leaders in Eastern Caroina, the men of prominence, the leaders in their respective communities will, with one accord, determine that all the existing evils such as cattle tick hookworm, malaria fever and typhoid will be checked and practically eliminted so that the people of our section of the state may prosper and enjoy good health. With best wishes I am,

Yours very truly. W. A. McGIRT.

Way up in Mansfield, Ohio, where- editorial. Aydlett's Republican cat's paw trying to spread the impression that Aydlett had run McGirt into a hole.

Referring to Aydlett's use of the editorial columns of the Republican paper, Mr. McGirt gave out the following statement this week. He says:

"I wish Mr. Thomas D. Warren. Chairman, of the Democratic Executive Committee and Hon. F. M. Simmons could see copies of this article, the comments and criticism of my letter to Ay-

"The only regret that I have is that the Republican paper's circulation is limited and does not get in the hands of citizens all over the state. I wish every many miles. Democrat could read this article that must have been inspired by Aydlett.

"If District Attorney Aydlett is using a Republican paper to defend him, and is "agin" tick eradication, it is reasonable to suppose that he is against President Wilson, Governor Cox and the League of Nations. If Harding is elected President, I presume Aydlett will retain his present position as U. S. District Attorney.

way to some deserving Democrat.' With best wishes, I am.

Sincerely yours, W. A. McGIRT.

CAME NEAR LOSING A

Spray Pump Containing Creosote Wood Preservative

James G. Gregory, superintendent of the Elizabeth City Cotton Mills came MUST FACE NEXT near losing his eyesight Monday afternoon while removing a clogged nozzle on a spray pump containing wood preservative. He forgot that the pressure

Gregory, your shirt is ruined."

INVEST \$10 IN A BETTER HOME PAPER If Elizabeth City and northeast. *

ern North Carolina over have a better newspaper than THE INDE- * PENDENT It will still be THE IN- * found Elizabeth City a newspaper grave yard and gained the confidence and support of a people who * had never had any faith or confi- * If the Republican ticket wins * dence in local newspapers. THE * ahead and is not content with its subscriptions will give this news- * are about 150 stockholders now. of \$10 each. Five hundred such * your check to-day.

MILES NEARER

Highway, South Mills to Portsmouth

A force of engineers from the State survey of the Dismal Swamp highway from South Mills to the Virginia line this week and actual work of construction on the new road will begin within a few

of the promotors of the new project better than \$225. was in Elizabeth City Wednesday. He stated that the new road would be open for traffic by January 1 next and that the road would be in first class condition for motorists by early spring. It is 53 miles from Elizabeth City to

Norfolk by the present only available route, via Shawboro and Moyock, It is only 43 miles from Elizabeth City to this country for more than a century paralelled the Dismal Stamp Canal. but in recent years this road has been permitted to go down and much of it to-day is overgrown with weeds and The next thing McGirt knew Aydlett brushes. The north bank of the Dishad taken his letter to a Republican | mal Swamp canal affords a fine fountake over the new road in Virginia and ments."

The new road will put Elizabeth City JUDGE CALVERT RAPS ten miles neaer Norfolk than it is now and is expected to attract thousands of automobile tourists to Eastern North Carolina because of the historical and legendary fame of the Great Dismal Swamp, which the road traverses for

CULPEPPER HARDWARE CO. IN NEW STAND

New Brick Building Occupies What Was Formerly The Most Unsightly Corner in Town

moved into its new building, corner of is moving heaven and earth to create a a frontage of 41 feet on Poindexter St. lated districts of that county are makdisturbance to embarrass the Democra- and 80 feet deep, containing in all 3,280 ing large quantities of corn liquor, which licious corn pones that were being serv-"If the Republican Ticket wins in the is the biggest improvement that has beth City and elsewhere. The usual enormous amount of corn pone and fall election, Mr. Aydlett is entitled to re- been made on North Poindexter St. It wholesale price for their homemade spring water for one of those Curriney for service rendered that Party. In site of one of the dirtiest bar rooms in insures them a handsome profit. The men of Currituck are artists in the trick the meantime, however, he should re- Elizabeth City. The tumble down bootlegger in turn usually waters the of frying fish over live coals in the sign as a Democratic appointee and give shack that once housed a gin mill be- stuff, and then passes it along to the open air. came a dirty, foul smelling cook-shop consumer at \$8 to \$10 a quart. Prohiwith prohibition. The new building is bition agents find their hands tied by of attractive design nd is of semi-fire- the indifference of the public to the liqproof brick and concrete construction. | uor traffic, and the bootlegging business

of the newest businesses in Elizabeth day, in the opinion of many who have PAIR OF GOOD EYES City, organized less than two years ago observed local conditions. by W. T. Culpepper and L. B. Culpep-James G. Gregory Removed Nozzle of per. The new concern has enjoyed a remarkable success in a field already occupied by several splendid hardware

FEDERAL COURT

Charged with violating the Federal of Federal court, but was pardoned be-

DEPENDENT. This sewspaper . First & Citizens National To Sell 1.000 New Shares of Stock

The First & Citizens National INDEPENDENT is still forging * Bank of Elizabeth City will inpresent rank; there is bigger work * crease its capital stock by the for this newspaper than it has hith. * sale of 1000 new shares of the erto attempted; bigger work than * par value of \$100 each. The stock any other newspaper will under- * will be offered to the present INDEPENDENT offers no stock * stockholders at \$225 a share. or bends for sale. Nor is THE IN- * Outsiders will get some of this DEPENDENT begging for any. * new stock only if some of the ing a limited number of ten year * present stockholders waive their subscriptions at the very low price * rights to the new issue. There

paper \$5,000 for certain much need. * The new issue of stock will increase ed permanent improvements. May- * the capital and resources of the First be you had thought about taking * & Citizens National Bank to \$575,000, one of these ten year subscriptions. * giving it a capital and surplus greater Why not obey that impulse and send * than any bank in North Carolina outside the big industrial centers of the state. The present capital of the First & Citizens National is \$200,000; its surplus \$150,000. The sale of 1.000 new shares at \$225 per share will add \$1,000 to its capitalization and \$125,000 to its

> The stockholders of the bank will meet on October -12 to formally approve the recommendation of the Board of Di-

The matter of increasing the capitalization of the First & Citizens National has been contemplated for several months. New lines of business and the rapid development of many industries in Elizabeth City and vicinity have taxed of Superior Courts of the First Judi- Tom Simmons, a colored man, repre-Highway Commission are at work on the the banking resources of Elizabeth City in recent- months.

\$200 and was oversubscribed by 2,000 months. His head looks like it might didn't have \$50, but led them to the W. I. Halstead, of South Mills, one shares. The stock is selling to-day at have been fashioned for the presidency home of A. B. Snowden, one of his white

Citizens National said:-

well as the growing necessity for in- bootieggers convicted in his courts. creased capitalization, which culminated in the action of the Directors on Tues- PROSPERITY APPARENT Norfolk by way of this Dismal Swamp day of this week. ations which has been rapidly growing. This field of activity is in serving the But The Only Corn The Editor Found on description furnished the Norfolk po-Banks of Northeastern Carolina, who in increasing numbers are finding it to their advantage to use the First & Citzens National as a reserve depository and clearing point for their items.

newspaper and had it published as an dation and contains excellent material "Elizabeth City is geographically and with unprecedented high prices is folfor a good dirt road. So th Mills commercially the Philadelphia of North-Township has issued bonds for the pur- eastern Carolina, and in the develop-"Lobbyist Gracefully Retreats," thereby pose of building this road to the Vir- ment of this section of the state the soja beans are looking fine. The coun- tuck by the lure of big profits to be ginia line from South mills, a distance Directors of the First & Citizens Na- ty is flooded with good coin of the realm. made in blockade whiskey manufacturof seven and a half miles. The City tional Bank believe they see the need Council of Portsmouth has appropriated of as well as a large field of usefulness farm, who are too improvident to own funds to build a road from Deep Creek for a banking institution of sufficient to the North Carolina line on the Dis. strength and influence not to feel the sisted by shooting a little during the mal Swamp canal. Norfolk county will shock of ordinary business require- game season, are rolling in prosperity.

Scoring the police officials and the cit izenship of Currituck county for their indifference toward illicit liquor traffic, as shown by the absence of cases involving violation of the prohibition laws. Judge Calvert of Raleigh opened Superior Court, at Currituck, C. H. Monday morning. The judge went on to state that if the absence of such cases brew. The fool hogs then go home indicated few violations of the law, it drunk. They say it is a common ocwould be a cause for congratulation; but that he had reason to believe that such violations were a matter of common occurrence. Therefore, he said, the ab-

was a situation of grave significance. square eet of floor space. The building they are selling thru agents in Eliza- ed with the fried fish. It takes an Grice's at a saving of from \$10.00 to The Culpepper Hardware Co. is one is growing by leaps and bounds every

Hathaway Says

If you wear glasses, have your eyes and glasses both examined from time to time, and go to the place where you can afford to pay a reasonable price for real professional work. Remember your eyes are your bread-winners. Take care of them.

.You have your teeth examined twice a year. Why not you eyes? more important.

Dr. J. D. Hathaway Optometrist

Phone 999

RESOURCES WILL BOY BANDITS ON TRIAL BE \$575,000.00 AT CURRITUCK COURT

Sensational Case of Misguided Youths Who Tried To Get Money Without Working For It And Got Jail Instead

NOW RIDING THIS DISTRICT



HON. THOS. H. CALVERT

cial District this fall. He is holding his sented themselves as Revenue Officers first court in this district at Currituck and told Simmons he was under arrest The stock of this bank was increased C. H. this week and finds a lively dock- for violation of the prohibition laws. by the sale 1,000 shares about two years et on his hands, since this is the first It is alleged they offered to release him ago. The stock was then offered at court held in that county in twelve if he would pay them \$50. Simmons of a theological seminary... He was one neighbors and told them he would bor-In a statement issued yesterday, Pres- time a candidate for the office of At- row the money from Mr. Snowden. Mr. ident Chas. H. Robinson of the First & torney General of North Carolina. He Snowden came out of his house when is heart and soul for enforcement of the Simmons called and in response to Simmonths had in mind the advantages as will show little mercy to distillers and purse containing about \$150 in currency.

IN CURRITUCK COUNTY

Had Been Made Into Pones For a Fish Fry

There is prosperity in Currituck these when they were first arrested, but since days. The bumper Irish potato crop they have been nine months in jail senlowed by a big sweet potato crop with cases, entirely changed. It is believed profitable returns; and corn, cotton and that the boys were attracted to Curri-

Even those ne'er do wells who don't good fishing rigs and who formerly sub-They never could make a crop of corn, but since the country went Dry they have found the way to make big money CURRITUCK BOOZERS out of corn and molasses. The woods of Currituck are reported to be full of James Pope Mixon is a spectacular charcorn liquor stills and it is said that acter who has bummed all over the corn liquor is offered as low as \$2 a world and claims to have worked on quart around Coinjock.

The manufacture of this corn liquor is having a deplorable effect upon the hogs in Currituck. The hogs are quick to find the way to the stills and devour the mash that is poured out from the currence in Currituck for one's hogs to come home so intoxicated they can

But not everybody in Currituck drinks The Culpepper Hardware Co. has sence of prosecutions for such offenses corn liquor. Most of the people hate the firm of Meekins & McMullen of this it. On a trip to Currituck last week "I can easily understand now why he Poindexter and Matthews streets. The It is an open secret that numbers of the editor found a lot of people drink- judge presiding is Hon. Thos. H. Calis identified with the "cattle tick," and new building is three stories high, has Currituck county farmers living in iso- ing spring water at a fish fry and the vert of Raleigh. only corn in evidence had been into detain his position as U. S. District Attor- occupies a corner that was for years the whiskey is around \$20 a gallon, which tuck fish frying picnics, because the wo- Three Sunday Schools From Perqui-

A suit to suit everyone at McCabe &

AGED WOMAN RUN DOWN

Pelicemen Never Bother To Enforce

Ordinances Against Riding On Sidewalks

Mrs. Jos. S. Rodgers was run over and painfully injured by a small boy on a bicycle near her home on Cypress perintendent. St., this city, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Rodgers was knocked to the sidewalk. folk and middle aged folk and it would She received many bruises and the nail have made Elizabeth City mouths water was torn from one of her fingers, in- to have looked upon the picnic dinner flicting a painful injury

bicyclists who use the sidewalks to dis- and women who can't cook are not tolmount when passing a pedestrian, but erated in Belvidere society. That dinthe law has not been enforced in years ner looked like the kitchen and pantry and small boys make reckless use of exhibit at the big state fair. the sidewalks. This is especially true. Those piney woods folk say ceries all over town.

our Mr. McCabe when in the market, stores and soda fountains in town where at a great sacrifice in price. McCabe those who are so inclined may purchase Bradford Bldg. & Grice, Elizabeth City, N. C. -adv. things to take back home.

One of the most sensational cases in the courts of northeastern North Carolina in recent months went to trial at Currituck C. H. yesterday morning. The defendants are J. Pope Mixon, age 22; L. W. Pennington, age 19; Edward Parr, age 22 and W. T. Saunders, age 22. The four are charged with burglary and highway robbery.

They were arrested in December of last year and were to have been tried at Currituck at the March 1920 term of the Superior Court in that county. But there was no March term of court in Currituck, owing to an epidemic of influenza in the county at that time. For several months the youths were kept in jail in Elizabeth City on account of the intense feeling against them in Curritack where there alleged crimes were committed. After staying in jail for a little more than nine months they are at last to have their fate determined by a petit jury.

The crimes for which they are being tried were committed on the night of December 18, 1920. Their most spectacular stunt was enacted at Maple, about three miles from Currituck C. H. It is alleged that the four boys appeared at Maple at a late hour at night, in a JUDGE CALVERT is riding the circuit Ford automobile, that they found one One of the boys thrust a gun into Mr. Snowden's stomach and relieved him of his \$150. The boys then backed off, keeping Mr. Snowden covered all the while, and made their escape. They were traced to Norfolk and arrested uplice. The same quartette is accused of other robberies in the same county.

Sentiment was high against the youths timent has been tempered and, in some ed in that county. They are believed to have begun their criminal career by taking this whiskey out of Currituck and selling it in Norfolk. One lawless adventure may have led to another. This newspaper goes to press too early to learn what evidence will be adduced at

The admitted leader of the band. newspapers and as a moving picture actor. He is picturesque, talkative, wild and venturesome. He has said that he was responsible for the hold up at Maple and that he was the man who did the gun work without any pre-arrangement or understanding with the other boys. No one seems to know anything of Mixon's family connections, since he claims to have come from Louisiana.

The other boys are of good families. The defendants are represented by able counsel from this city and Norfolk, city being their chief counsellors. The

BAPTISTS, METHODISTS AND QUAKERS PICNIC

mans Take Outing At Elizabeth

Baptists, Methodists and Friends from the Belvidere and piney woods section of Perquimans County held a union picnic at Elizabeth City Wednesday of this week, using the old Fair Grounds near the city. There were more than 200 in the party, nearly 30 automobiles and BY BOY ON BICYCLE three big trucks being required to bring the crowd.

The Sunday Schools represented were Whiteville Grove Baptist Sunday School. Dr. I. A. Ward, superintendent; Piney Woods Friends Sunday School, E. L. Chappell, superintendent; Bethany Methodist Sunday School, A. N. Asbell, su-

It was a fine body of young folk, old those piney woods folks spread. Men There is a city ordinance requiring who can't provide good things to eat

of delivery boys employed by small gro- Elizabeth City for a picnic. There is the long motor trip to town; the shade and welcome of the fair grounds; the \$10,000 worth of Clothing bought by bathin, beach close at hand and the